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ROGER MUDD: Former CIA agent Edwin P. Wilson, who has been a fugitive for the past several years, was arrested today in New York. Wilson and his partner, Frank Terpil, whose whereabouts are unknown, ran a terrorist school for Muammar Qaddafi of Libya, among other things.

Susan Peterson reports.

SUSAN PETERSON: For the past two years, U.S. officials had tried several schemes to get former spy Edwin Wilson to leave his safe haven in Libya. U.S. marshals concocted a scam operation to induce Wilson to go to Switzerland last weekend under an assumed name and with an Irish passport. Wilson stayed there for 30 hours in the safe international section of the Geneva airport before flying on to Madrid. From Spain Wilson caught a flight to the Dominican Republic, where local authorities were alerted and refused him entry. He was put on the next direct flight to New York.

Several hours after his arrest at Kennedy Airport, Wilson was arraigned in a federal court in Brooklyn. Bail was set at \$20 million. Government officials said they do not think Wilson is a good bail risk.

In Washington, the Attorney General personally announced Wilson's arrest.

ATTORNEY GENERAL WILLIAM FRENCH SMITH: Mr. Wilson is under indictment in the District of Columbia for charges, including conspiracy to commit murder, soliciting murder, transporting explosives, exporting defense articles, and acting as an agent of the government of Libya.

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PETERSON: The Justice Department and Congress is still investigating possible links between present CIA officials and Wilson while he was training terrorists in Libya, but it's hoped Wilson will provide details.